S. No.	Pesticides
18	Diuron
19	EDB
20	Endosulfan
21	Ethyl Mercury Chloride
22	Fenarimol
*23	Heptachlor
24	Lindane
25	Malathion
26	Maleic Hydrazide
27	Menazon
28	Methomyl
29	Methyl Parathion
30	Monocrotophos
31	Oxyflourfen
32	Paraquat Dichloride
33	Phorate
34	Phosphamidon
35	Sodium Cyanide
36	Sodium Methane Arsonate
37	Thiometon
38	Thiram
39	Triazophos
40	Tridemorph
41	Zinc Phosphate
42	Ziram
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* The e pesticides are under fresh review as per the directions of Hon'ble High Court of Rajasthan.

Use of Plastics in Agriculture

4075. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY :
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have seen a report published in the Economic Times of 29th March, 1994 under the title "Innovative use of Plasticulture may revolutionise agriculture";

(b) if so, whether Government agrees with the perceptions of Dr. A. N. Sarkar ;

(c) if so, what steps are being contemplated to popularise use of plastics in our agriculture and what are the uses and areas identified therefor ?

(d) whether Government are thinking of making plastics, especially, plastic pipes available to farmers at cheaper rates ; and

(e) if so, what measures are being taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Government have initiated steps to promote various plasticulture applications like drip irrigation, mulching, greenhouse, packing material etc. For this purpose, a sum of Rs. 250 crores has been provided during VIII Plan under the scheme of 'Use of Plastics in Agriculture' exclusively for horticultural crops and a further sum of Rs. 25 crores for drip irrigation under the scheme of Oil Palm Development Programme of Technology Mission on Oilseeds and Pulses (TMO & P). to addition, assistance is also being provided by National Horticulture Board (NHB) for propagating use of Plastic crates under its Integrated Post-harvest Management Scheme. Awareness is being created amongst farmers and State Government officials about the benefits of plastics use through training and demonstration. In addition to above uses, plastic have also found very useful application in lining of ponds, irrigation channel, poly bags for nurseries etc.

(d) and (e) In order to motivative the farmers to install drip irrigation system, Government is providing 50% subsidy subject to a maximum of Rs. 15,000 per hac. Government is also in regular contact with system manufacturers for providing back-up support in form of installation, training and occasional monitoring of the system and for rationalising the price structure.

Crop-wise acreage, production and per acre yield of pulses

4076. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what has been the crop-wise acreage, production and per acre yield of pulses during the last three years in the country ;

(b) whether it is a fact that per capita net availability of pulses in India has gone down since 1951 ;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof ;

(d) what has been the quantity and value of pulses imported during the last three years ;

(e) whether it is also a fact that increasing production and productivity of pulses still remains a critical area ; and

(f) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what is being done in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) The All India Area Production and yield of Pulses